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March 4, 1958

The Honorable Francis E. Walter, Chairman
Committee on Un-American Activities
House of Representatives
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Francis:

Following receipt of your letter of January 8, I had a talk with Mr. William Heimlich of your staff.

As I explained to him, I feel that a public presentation by me of the nature suggested might be unwise, as giving the Soviet too much information as to the nature of our intelligence on the subject of their penetration activities.

At any time at your convenience, however, I should be delighted to sit down with you and any members of your staff as you might desire, to discuss the matter and see how I might be of help in developing further special awareness of the peril and of the steps to meet it.

Sincerely yours,

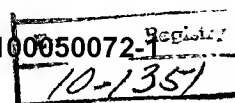
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MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. [REDACTED] *WZ*

SUBJECT: Attached letter from Congressman WALTER

1. I concur with the views expressed by the DCI to Mr. William F. HEIMLICH in paragraph 4 of [REDACTED] memorandum for the record of 8 January.

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2. Such appearances would not only raise adverse comment of a political nature from groups or individuals who disagree with the substance of such statements but establish a precedent for similar appearances on matters of a more sensitive and delicate nature

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3. As a compromise proposal, it is suggested that the DCI consider the use of the services of the IAC Committee on International Communism.

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[REDACTED] It is quite possible that they could prepare or arrange for the preparation of collated material from a variety of overt sources which in turn could be disseminated directly to Congressman WALTER.

4. In this sense, neither the Director nor the Agency would be assuming any more responsibility than the other members of the IAC. This informal arrangement should satisfy any reasonable request from the Committee.

5. If other members of the Committee on International Communism or their principals reject the proposal, then no one could question the DCI's position.

6. If the DCI wishes, we can explore the matter further with the Chairman of the IAC Committee.

James Angleton~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

Chief, Counter Intelligence Staff

Attachment: Ltr 8 Jan 58 to DCI
from Congressman WALTER

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CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
COMMITTEE ON UN-AMERICAN ACTIVITIES
WASHINGTON

January 8, 1958

Honorable Allen W. Dulles
Director
Central Intelligence Agency
2430 E Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Allen:

The purpose of this letter is to formalize to you the invitation by the Committee on Un-American Activities for a transcribed consultation with you respecting the posture of the international Communist apparatus.

As you know, from time to time this Committee, as part of its educational series, releases consultations with authorities on each of the many facets of the Communist operation. Recently, for example, we released a consultation with Mr. Constantine Brown respecting the present posture of the free world; and we will soon release a consultation with General Charles A. Willoughby on the Communist penetration of Indonesia.

It is the thinking of the Committee that, as head of the principal intelligence agency of this Government, you are in a position to outline to the Committee and, via the Committee, to the American people the principal areas of Communist penetration and general scope of Communist activity world-wide, so that the true perspective may be available of the present death struggle between the East and the West.

You may be assured that the session will be set up in such manner as to be thoroughly in accord with your wishes and that nothing will be released in the consultation without your approval.

Honorable Allen W. Dulles

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January 8, 1958

Perhaps it would be advisable, if you think well of this invitation, for you to meet with myself and possibly representatives of the staff, to go over the general scope of the consultation.

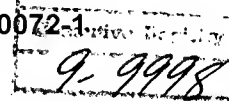
Allen, I sincerely believe that you can render a distinct, needed public service in this project.

With warm personal regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Francis".

Francis E. Walter
Chairman



8 January 1958

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Visit of Mr. William F. Heimlich with the Director of
Central Intelligence

1. Mr. William F. Heimlich on the staff of the House Committee on Un-American Activities visited with the Director on 8 January 1958. He opened the discussion by apparently delivering to the Director a series of publications prepared at the request of the Committee by the Legislative Reference Service of the Library of Congress on various personalities in the Communist world entitled Who Are They? The Director asked that these be checked. Mr. Heimlich also left a Staff Consultation with Constantine Brown entitled International Communism (The Present Posture of the Free World) and a Committee document entitled Communist Political Subversion, House Report No. 1182.

25X1 2. At this point Mr. [] came in and Mr. Heimlich continued on the reason for his visit. He indicated that Congressman Walter, Chairman of the Committee, and Mr. Arens had discussed the possibility of the Committee putting out something to the public on the posture of the Soviet world having in mind many statements appearing in the press which may or may not be accurate. He indicated that they would like to include consideration of industrial development in view of its relationship to the military potential, over-all developments in the economy, the state of operational training in long-range aircraft of the Soviet air force, contributions being made by the satellite countries, the state of agricultural economic penetration and other pertinent aspects leading up to an appraisal and appropriate conclusions, all to be issued under the Director's name.

3. Mr. Heimlich brought up the fact that he had been working with General Willoughby on a staff consultation relating to Indonesia which is due for release about 15 January. Heimlich indicated he had sent galley proofs to General Erskine and offered to make galley proofs available to the DCI. We are to pick these up by messenger today. Heimlich said he would eventually send us about 50 copies. The Director was interested and wished to see the galley proofs as soon as possible.

4. The Director indicated some of his problems in complying with such a request. He mentioned the difficulties arising out of public statements from the Agency in view of our many useful relationships with foreign intelligence services. For this, as well as for other reasons, the Agency tended to keep out of the public eye and this view was shared by the White House. The Director pointed out that by long-standing arrangements he does make appearances before the Joint Committee on Atomic Energy and before small subcommittees for CIA from the Armed Services and Appropriations Committees of both the Senate and House. The Director mentioned the Johnson Preparedness Subcommittee as an exception although it was considered necessary. The Director also mentioned that he is responsible to the Chairman of the House and Senate Armed Services Subcommittees in connection with his general relationships and appearances before the Congress. The Director also read from the law his statutory duties and responsibilities and stated that he has no duty or right in connection with informing the American public generally.

5. In view of these difficulties the Director suggested that he might have lunch with Congressman Walter, Mr. Arens and Mr. Heimlich to discuss the matter. Mr. Heimlich indicated that this appeared to be desirable.


Legislative Counsel

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CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

The Honorable Francis E. Walter, Chairman
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Dear Francis:

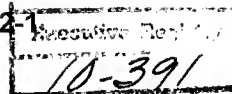
I have your letter of January 8 which invited me to participate in a transcribed consultation concerning the posture of the international Communist apparatus. Prior to the receipt of your letter I had a pleasant visit with Mr. William Heimlich of your staff, during which he explained in some detail the purposes of such a consultation. At that time I indicated to Mr. Heimlich that I would be very glad to meet with the Committee and members of the staff to discuss the problems involved.

Subsequent to that time Mr. [redacted], our Legislative Counsel, has had several conversations with Mr. Heimlich. Mr. [redacted] repeated the suggestion that we get together, possibly at a luncheon, to discuss this matter. I understood that the message would be conveyed to you.

As was explained to Mr. Heimlich a serious question is raised in my mind about the appropriateness of a published consultation on this subject if it were to include representatives of the Central Intelligence Agency. I should be glad to explore this question in detail when we get together.

Sincerely,

Allen W. Dulles
Director



Evaluation of Pamphlets Published

by

House Committee on Un-American Activities

1. The pamphlet entitled "Communist Political Subversion" contains first-rate information on the continuing dangers of Communist activities in this country with intent to destroy the U. S. security programs. The quotation from Georgi Dimitrov (just before page one of the text) is Leninist thinking in modern terms, at the time of the dissolution of the Comintern during the war. The thoughts or philosophy expressed there are of course chief worries in the purview of the FBI.
2. The pamphlets on Khrushchev, Bulganin, Tito and Gomulka prepared by the Legislative Reference Service of the Library of Congress are of less value. The values expressed therein are in terms of black or white. The tone is of the "I hate Communism" school, without sober interpretation of facts. There is pure propaganda in one of those against aid to Tito and Poland, without reference to the serious thought in other parts of the U. S. Government on such an issue. The biographic treatments are slanted and misleading because of factual errors. Khrushchev is handled in three pages, a brief analysis of the most dangerous man of today.
3. The pamphlets on Kim Il Sung and Ho Chi Minh, Mao Tse-tung and Chou En-lai are better despite minor inaccuracies. Kim's role in the invasion of South Korea was not a key one; he was a faithful robot, wound up and set in motion by his Sino-Soviet masters. The Red Army did not move factories from North Korea, but from Manchuria to the Soviet Union, etc.
4. The pamphlet on Maurice Thorez is generally accurate and well-balanced. More might have been said about Thorez' problems of maintaining balance of hard-line Stalinist party cadres and the requirements of a mass party in a democratic parliamentary system. The Togliatti article is factually accurate and presents a fairly vivid picture. It might be even more impressive if a more historical detail had been given on the tactics by which Togliatti acquired control of the party through his ruthless adherence to the Comintern line. Also, it

might have been more searching on the 1956 crisis, especially
Togliatti's reaction to the Khrushchev Secret Report on Stalin
Which apparently led him to a moment of doubt about the Soviet
"system."

5. Mr. Constantine Brown's remarks to the Committee
on International Communism leaves something to be desired. Seeming
profundity stems from wild generalizations that defy analysis. In
my opinion most of the judgments he expresses would not be in
agreement with views shared by the top thinkers in the intelligence
centers in Washington and abroad. I do not question Mr. Brown's
motives, but I do question the validity of his source material.

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Remarks:

I believe the attached letter to Francis
Walter will serve the purpose mentioned on
your buck slip of the 24th.

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Remarks:

John: Since Congressman Walter has never returned the Director's call, he feels in order to set the record straight we should make a reply to the Congressman's letter of 8 January -- to include some mention of your conversation with Heimlich and the fact that the Director has offered to sit down with the Committee but "not for publication".

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. Dulles

You asked to be reminded that you wished
to call Congressman Walter on the attached
sometime today.

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27 Jan 58

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MEMORANDUM FOR: THE DIRECTOR

For information only.

This is my effort at recording in as much detail as deemed necessary the session held with Mr. Heimlich Wednesday morning. In attempting to pick up the galley proof re Willoughby on Indonesia, Heimlich stated apologetically he spoke too soon and they have only one copy available but will call me as soon as he can make another available. We will follow up on this.



Legislative Council

9 January 58
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